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**SUBJECT: Cuban Refugee Groups Hoping to Liberate Their
Homeland**

QUESTION: Are we required to stop all actions, large or small, by refugee groups hoping to liberate their own homeland?

ANSWER : In the absence of any real performance by the Soviet Union on the withdrawal of all offensive weapons from Cuba, this question does not really arise. The question before us now are the withdrawal of the bombers, ~~and~~ the obtaining of positive verification that all the offensive weapons have been removed from Cuba, ~~and~~ adequate safeguards against their reintroduction.

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